

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-36 (canceled)

37. (currently amended) A computing device for providing instructional responses ~~to a user~~, the computing device comprising:

~~a processor;~~

an input device for accepting an unstructured user input by reading a plurality of substantially invisible codes; and

a processor for processing said user input, wherein said processing comprises:

recognizing a plurality of print elements associated with said plurality of substantially invisible codes; and

in response to said recognizing, determining said instructional response; and

an output device~~[[,]]~~ for outputting said instructional response.

~~wherein the processor, in response to a task presented to a user, accepts unstructured input from the user on the input device and determines whether an instructional response should be output.~~

38. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 37, wherein the unstructured user input comprises a print element created by the user on a surface.

39. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 37, further comprising a writing element.

40. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 37, further comprising a stylus having an optical detector, a processor coupled to the optical detector, and a memory unit comprising code for ~~different~~ audio outputs corresponding to the print element.

41. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 37, wherein the output device is an audio output device.

42. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 41, wherein the task is audibly presented to the user by the audio output device.

43. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 41, wherein the instructional response is an audio instructional response presented to the user by the audio output device.

44. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 41, wherein the output device is configured to generate an audio output related to a user created print element on a writing surface.

45. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 44, wherein the writing surface has a plurality of substantially invisible codes at a plurality of positions for determining a location of a plurality of ~~different~~ print elements on the surface.

46. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 41, wherein the ~~instructional~~ unstructured user input is a non-keyboard user input.

47. (currently amended) The computing device of claim 41, wherein the instructional response relates to the ~~the~~ a task presented to the user.

48. (previously presented) The computing device of claim 41, further comprising a writing device and wherein the processor, input device, output device and writing device are associated with a housing having a pen-like appearance.

49. (currently amended) In a computing device, a method for providing instructional responses ~~to a user~~, comprising:

~~presenting a task to a user;~~

accepting ~~unstructured~~ an unstructured user input from the user by using an input device by reading a plurality of substantially invisible codes; and

processing said user input, wherein said processing comprises:

recognizing a plurality of print elements associated with said
plurality of substantially invisible codes; and
in response to said recognizing, determining said instructional
response; and
outputting said instruction response.

~~in response to the unstructured input, determining whether an instructional response should be output by using an output device, wherein the determination is made by a processor of the computing device.~~

50. (currently amended) The method of claim 49, wherein the unstructured user input comprises a print element created by the user on a surface.

51. (previously presented) The method device of claim 49, wherein the computing device further comprises a writing element.

52. (currently amended) The method of claim 49, wherein the computing device further comprises a stylus having an optical detector, a processor coupled to the optical detector, and a memory unit comprising code for ~~different~~ audio outputs corresponding to the print element.

53. (previously presented) The method of claim 49, wherein the output device is an audio output device.

54. (previously presented) The method of claim 53, wherein the task is audibly presented to the user by the audio output device.

55. (previously presented) The method of claim 53, wherein the instructional response is an audio instructional response presented to the user by the audio output device.

56. (previously presented) The method of claim 53, wherein the output device is configured to generate an audio output related to a user created print element on a writing surface.

57. (currently amended) The method of claim 56, wherein the writing surface has a plurality of substantially invisible codes at a plurality of positions for determining a location of a plurality of ~~different~~ print elements on the surface.

58. (currently amended) The method of claim 53, wherein the instructional unstructured user input is a non-keyboard user input.

59. (currently amended) The method of claim 53, wherein the instructional response relates to the a task presented to the user.

60. (previously presented) The method of claim 53, wherein the computing device is a writing device and wherein the processor, input device, output device and writing device are associated with a housing having a pen-like appearance.

61. (currently amended) A computer readable media for implementing a method for providing instructional responses ~~to a user~~, the media having computer readable code which when executed by a processor of a computing device cause the computing device to perform a method, comprising:

~~presenting a task to a user;~~

accepting unstructured an unstructured user input from the user by using an input device by reading a plurality of substantially invisible codes; and

processing said user input, wherein said processing comprises:

recognizing a plurality of print elements associated with said plurality of substantially invisible codes; and

in response to said recognizing, determining said instructional response; and

outputting said instruction response.

~~in response to the unstructured input, determining whether an instructional response should be output by using an output device, wherein the determination is made by a processor of the computing device.~~

62. (currently amended) The computer readable media of claim 61, wherein the unstructured user input comprises a print element created by the user on a surface.

63. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 61, wherein the computing device further comprises a writing element.

64. (currently amended) The ~~method~~ computer readable media of claim 61, wherein the computing device further comprises a stylus having an optical detector, a processor coupled to the optical detector, and a memory unit comprising code for ~~different~~ audio outputs corresponding to the print element.

65. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 61, wherein the output device is an audio output device.

66. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the task is audibly presented to the user by the audio output device.

67. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the instructional response is an audio instructional response presented to the user by the audio output device.

68. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the output device is configured to generate an audio output related to a user created print element on a writing surface.

69. (currently amended) The computer readable media of claim 68, wherein the writing surface has a plurality of substantially invisible codes at a plurality of positions for determining a location of a plurality of ~~different~~ print elements on the surface.

70. (currently amended) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the instructional unstructured user input is a non-keyboard user input.

71. (currently amended) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the instructional response relates to the a task presented to the user.

72. (previously presented) The computer readable media of claim 65, wherein the computing device is a writing device and wherein the processor, input device, output device and writing device are associated with a housing having a pen-like appearance.